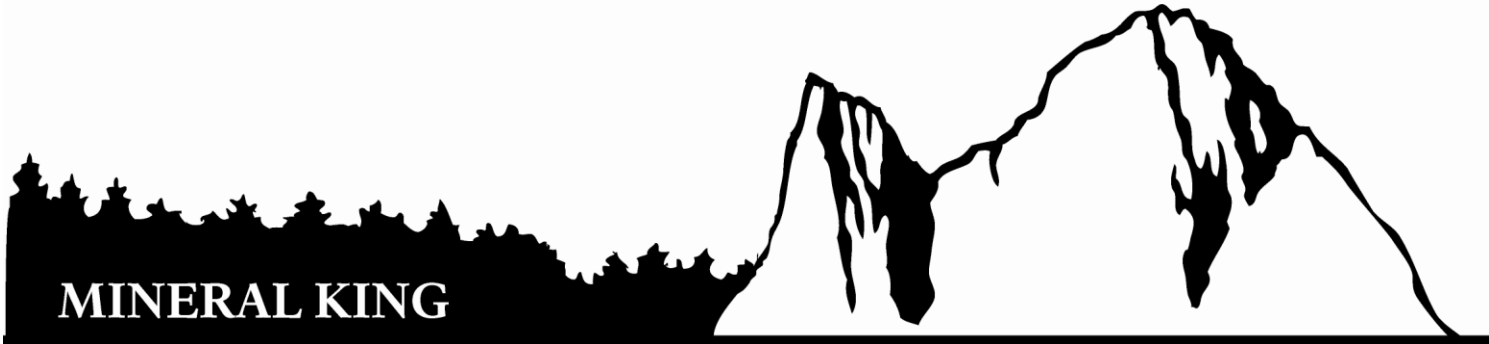


# Mineral King Ranger Programs

June 30 – July 3

National Park Service  
U.S. Department of the Interior  
  
Sequoia and Kings Canyon  
National Parks



	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
Flower Sensations				10:00AM
As Bears Emerge			5:00PM	
Tremendous Trees, Invaluable Forests				10:00 AM
What’s for Dinner, Animal Kingdom?		5:00PM		
Hidden in the Dark		7:30PM		
Grace Alles Cabin Open House				11:00-3:00
Wilderness Connections			7:30PM	
Now and Then	8:00PM			

### RANGER TALKS

#### Wilderness Connections

Wilderness surrounds us in Mineral King, but one cannot take these open spaces for granted. At this interactive campfire program, experience those who helped shape our concept of wilderness and explore what it means to us as individuals today.  
*Ranger Station Campfire Circle (1 hour)*

#### What’s for Dinner, Animal Kingdom?

Have you ever wondered what food animals survive on? Join the ranger for an eye opening activity concerning what animals eat in this glorious environment and our own reliance upon the web of life.  
*Ranger Station Campfire Circle (20 minutes)*

#### As Bears Emerge

The end of winter at Mineral King brings local black bears out of hibernation, cubs in tow, in search of food to replace fat lost over the winter. Learn what it’s like to see the world as a bear does, as a richly scented menu where every action is in pursuit of the next meal.  
*Meet at the Atwell Mill Campground Entrance Sign (20 minutes)*

#### Now and Then

For volunteer and life-time resident, Nadean Bissiri, Mineral King was a wonderland, a jungle gym, a place to grow and learn. Her family spent their summers here. Through that time her experiences were enriched by listening to family adventures in the Sierra Nevada. Tonight, Nadean is the story teller. She offers a window into the rich history and fun Mineral King has to offer.  
*Silver City Resort (1 hour)*

### RANGER WALKS

#### Tremendous Trees, Invaluable Forests

Atwell Mill is the only campground in the parks where one can sleep under the largest trees in the word. Learn to identify the Giant Sequoia and its neighbors while discovering the history of the old mill.  
*Meet at the Atwell Campground Entrance Sign (1 hour)*

#### Wildflower Sensations

We think of flowers and plants as things to see, and occasionally smell. What we forget is that the flora around us can be experienced through our other senses as well. Come smell, feel and even hear the forgotten aspects of nature as we venture up the Nature Trail. *Meet at the Ranger Station (1 hour)*

#### Hidden in the Dark

Flying squirrels are elusive to humans, but play a vital role in mixed conifer forests. During this evening stroll, realize how a squirrel’s relationship to a hidden forest treasure helps supports an ecosystem.  
*Meet at the Atwell Mill Entrance Sign (1 hour)*

### DROP-IN OPEN HOUSE

#### Grace Alles Cabin

The Alles Cabin is located just below Atwell Mill Campground. It is the “house in the middle of the road.” Come visit the cabin and docents who portray the lifestyle of a woman who shared her hospitality with anyone who ventured into these mountains.  
*1/3 Mile West of Atwell Mill Campground Green Parking Sign will be Posted (4 hours)*

All programs are free and open to the public.